Emma Lazarus's poem the new colossus speaks of a golden door to freedom but not everyone was allowed through that door. One group of people who were not included were the Chinese. When a Chinese man read about America asking china to contribute to the fund for the pedestal of the statue of liberty he said why we should have to pay for something that doesn’t include us. They felt it didn’t include them because of the Chinese exclusion act in 1882.

Another group that was not given freedom was the Jewish. For years the Jewish seeked to be treated equally and buy law they deserved it, but they still did not get it. During the civil war the Jewish were forced to choose sides although 150,000 Jews lived in the north about 25,000 Jews lived in the south and were faithful to the Confederate army, because of this the confederate side hated the union army and the union army hated the confederate army because of this anti Jewish sentiments grew.

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